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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Patent Application of)

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Serial No.: 09/663,171)

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For: VEHICLE FIRE EXTINGUISHER SYSTEM)

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Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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FEE CALCULATION: No Additional Fees Due. Upon entry of the below amendment, the total number claims will be 20 or less, and the number of independent claims will be 3 or less.

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In response to the Final Action mailed June 21, 2001, and in order to place this case in condition for immediate allowance or in better form for appeal, applicant hereby requests the entry of the following amendment to the application:

REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH(S), SECTION(S) AND CLAIM(S):

In the Claims:

7. A vehicle fire extinguisher system for use in airplanes comprising, in combination: